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WITH ALTERED SPECIFICITY**

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action, mailed June 23, 2011, entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks respectfully are requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

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